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## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS28579 / S1128

This proposed legislation will improve access to natural health care for Idahoans and promote all Idahoans' health. The licensing of naturopathic practitioners will promote the public health interest by aiding in delivering high-quality naturopathic medical services in Idaho.

This is a follow-up to legislation from the Idaho Chapter of the American Association of Naturopathic Physicians (AANP) passed in 2019 that licensed their members. ~~an agreement made between the Naturopathic Physicians Association of Idaho (NPAI) and the American Association of Naturopathic Physicians (AANP) when the previous legislation was passed in 2019. NPAI agreed not to oppose the legislation that the AANP put forward, providing that a naturopathic license be formed to license graduates of their schools, and that a licensing board would be established to~~This legislation would license "The Other Naturopaths of Idaho" that were not covered under the previous legislation.

The legislation will create a structure to license and regulate licensed naturopathic doctors, doctors of natural health, and naturopathic practitioners who want to be licensed. It will not limit or restrict any naturopathic practitioner's ability to continue to practice under Idaho Code § 54-1804.

### FISCAL NOTE

This bill will have no impact on the General Fund because the costs to administer the licenses and regulate the naturopathic practitioners would be paid from licensure fees.

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